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TAGS: OREP (BLUM, JACK AND SHIELDS, GEOFFREY), NL

SUBJECT: STAFFDEL BLUM/SHIELDS

**REF: STATE 201608** 

1. WE PROPOSE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE FOR MR. BLUM:

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

0930 ARRIVE SCHIPHOL AIRPORT. MET BY CONTROL OFFICER, JOHN BRIMS, WHO IS ALSO EMBASSY'S CIVIL AVIATION OFFICER.

1030 CHECK IN AT CENTRAL HOTEL, LANGE POTEN 6, THE HAGUE. (SINGLE WITH BATH, BREAKFAST INCLUDED, RESERVED BY EMBASSY. COST: 61 GUILDERS, OR ABOUT \$24).

1100 CALL ON DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION, MISS ELIZABETH BROWN.

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NOON LUNCHEON WITH MAAG CHIEF, CAPTAIN WARREN ERIKSON, AND MR. BRIMS AT

**SCHEVENINGEN** 

1330 CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS WITH CAPT. ERIKSON

AT MAAG OFFICES, SCHEVENINGEN

1530 CALL ON ACTING ECONOMIC-COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR JOSEPH A. HARARY.

EVENING FREE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

MORNING FREE

1500 CALL ON MR. PIET VELDE, BUREAU OF FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, MINISTRY OF FINANCE, AND EITHER MR. G. FONTEIJN, CHIEF, BUREAU OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS, CIVIL AVIATION SERVICE, OR HIS DEPUTY, MR. R.C. VAN DER MAATEN.

EVENING FREE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

0745 CHECK OUT OF HOTEL. DEPART FOR SCHIPHOL.

0910 PLANE LEAVES FOR PARIS

- 2. EMBASSY WILL PROVIDE CAR AND DRIVER.
- 3. LARGEST DUTCH PURCHASER OF CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT IS KLM. SINCE 70 PERCENT OF KLM IS OWNED BY DUTCH GOVERNMENT, AIRLINE MUST OBTAIN PERMISSION FROM GOVERNMENTAL BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BEFORE IT BUYS PLANES. BOARD INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES OF MINISTRIES OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE AS WELL OF CIVIL AVIATION SERVICE, WHICH IS PART OF MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT. MESSRS. VELDE AND FONTEIJN OF FINANCE AND TRANSPORT RESPECTIVELY, ARE KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT GOVERNMENT'S ROLE IN PURCHASES BY KLM. OTHER, NONSCHEDULED CARRIERS, MARTINAIR AND TRANSAVIA, ARE NOT SUBJECT TO SUCH CONTROL.
- 4. WE NOTE THAT IN SECDEF 4611 TO CHIEF MAAG HERE, UNCLASSIFIED

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PURPOSE OF VISIT IS SAID TO BE "TO DISCUSS GOVERNMENT AND INDUSTRY COOPERATION IN MILITARY ROLES IN EUROPE", WHEREAS STATE 201680 IN PARAGRAPH ONE DESCRIBES PURPOSE AS BEING "TO DEVELOP INFORMATION IN CONNECTION WITH A SUBCOMMITTEE INVESTIGATION OF THE PAYMENT OF AGENT'S FEES, COMMISSIONS AND BRIBES IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE OF MILITARY AND COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT," BUT IN PARAGRAPH FOUR REFERS ONLY TO CIVILIAN AIRCRAFT SALES. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE CLARIFY PURPOSE OF VISIT BY BLUM, AND PARTICULARLY WHETHER HE IS INTERESTED IN BOTH MILITARY AND CIVILIAN SALES OR LATTER ALONE. BROWN

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